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"SITTING IN A TREE" PART 6

AS A TEENAGER, GWEN STACY WAS BITTEN BY A MUTATED SPIDER. THE BITE TRANSFORMED HER, GRANTING HER AMAZING POWERS: A PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER, ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES, AND THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED AND STRENGTH OF A SPIDER. TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEW YORK, SHE IS THE DANGEROUS VIGILANTE CALLED SPIDER-WOMAN, BUT YOU KNOW HER AS...

SPIDER-GWEN

PREVIOUSLY...

IT'S MY DAD, GWEN.
HE'S... MISSING.
LOOK, IT'S OKAY TO BE FREAKED BY THIS, OKAY?
I MEAN, TRUST ME--IF ANYONE KNOWS HOW THIS FEELS, IT'S ME.
HERE, TAKE THE TRANSPORTER THINGY...
THEY'RE GONNA JUMP BACK TO THE SCORPION.
AND I'M GOING WITH THEM.
WHAT? MILES, NO. YOU COULD END UP ANYWHERE.
MILES?
DON'T HIT ME!!!
...DAD?

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EARTH-8. A FUTURE...
--CONFIRM A RECORD 300 BILLION VIEWERS ACROSS THE KNOWN UNIVERSE TUNED IN FOR PRESIDENT SAMANTHA WILSON'S INAUGURATION.
MOVING TO CELEBRITY NEWS...TODAY'S THE BIG DAY, SPIDER-FANS...
THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICA'S FAVORITE SUPER-COUPLE.
THE DAY THE SPIDERS OFFICIALLY TANGLED THE WEB!
Bugle
AND WHILE THE COUPLE ENJOYS THEIR SECOND HONEYMOON ON THE BEACHES OF VANAHEIM...
...JOIN DBN IN CELEBRATING WITH A 24-HOUR MARATHON OF WEDDING FOOTAGE!
THAT'S RIGHT! ALL. DAY. LONG.
UGH. BARF. GROSS.
BEEP
HEY, KIDS! IT'S THE PIOTR PLAT-Y-PUS SHOOOWWWW!
=MUNCH=...
=MUNCH=...
=MUNCH=...
MAX! MAAAAAXXX!

BOOP
BLAH BLAH BLAH.
MAX, I SWEAR, IF YOU ATE ALL THE POP-TARTS AGAIN...
MMMM...LAST POP-TART...MOST PRECIOUSSSS...
MAX!
GEEZ LOUISE! YOU TWO ARE AT IT ALREADY?!
CAN'T HAVE JUST ONE SINGLE MORNING WHERE YOU DON'T WAKE THE WHOLE BUILDING? ONE.
SQUUUEEEEE-OINK!
SQUUUEEEEE-OINK!
SEE?! NOW YOU DID IT!
YOU WOKE YOUR AUNT PEGGY AND THE KIDS!
SQUEE-OINK!
SQUEE-OINK!
SQUEE-OINK!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
BICKER!
=SIGH= GOOD MORNING, BOYS.
A WHOLE WEEK BABYSITTING THIS. NOT ENOUGH COFFEE ON...
KNOCK KNOCK
...EARTH?

OH, MAN... GWEN?
SITTIN' IN A TREE
CONCLUSION
LATOUR
RODRIGUEZ
RENZI
COWLES
KIDS... A SPACE-TIME-DISPLACED VERSION OF YOUR MOTHER IS HOME.
=SIGH=... AGAIN.

EARTH-65.
DAD? IT'S YOU?
IT'S REALLY YOU?
YOU COULDN'T HAVE ASKED ME THAT BEFORE YOU PUNCHED ME IN THE FACE, MILES?
THERE'S AN EVIL JERK WITH YOUR FACE, DAD.
SORRY. I SEE EVIL, I PUNCH EVIL.
HEH.
GOOD MAN.
WELL, YOU'RE HERE...SO YOU GOT THE INSTRUCTIONS I SENT...
WAIT. THE TALKING WATCH--THAT WAS YOU?
WELL...SORT OF. I STOLE MY WATCH FROM S.I.L.K.'S LAB IN ORDER TO HACK IT.
BUT THE A.I. WAS... COOPERATIVE.
THANK GOD IT FOUND YOU. THIS WORLD IS BANANAS.
HAVE YOU TRIED THEIR INSANE SODA?
YEAH...I'LL HAVE TO GET GWEN TO SHIP US SOME.
WE CAN SIP IT SAFELY ON OUR COUCH BACK HOME.

HOME? NO, SON. WE CAN'T GO HOME YET.
S.I.L.K. IS DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO MASTERING INTERDIMENSIONAL TRANSPORT. IF THEY--
YEAH. I KNOW. BUT DAD...
...WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH YOU?
THE SCORPION HAS MY NAME, MILES.
HE HAS MY FACE.
HE'S GOING TO HOLD THE MULTIVERSE HOSTAGE.
IF WE DON'T STOP HIM NOW, NO ONE'S FAMILY IS SAFE.
OKAY. BUTCH AND SUNDANCE, THEN?
THEY WERE OUTLAWS, SON.
UM... RICK AND MORTY, THEN?

IT'S JUST...YOU. YOU'RE...
REAL? YEAH. THE REALEST.
SORRY. I GET HIT IN THE HEAD A LOT. SO SOMETIMES I...
...SEE THINGS.
YES. WELL, I'M PETER PORKER, THE SPORKTACULAR SPIDER-HAM OF EARTH-8.
AND OUR SCANS SAY YOU'RE FROM THE EARTH-65 TIMELINE? SO OBVIOUSLY YOU'RE A--
ANOTHER "SPIDER-GWEN"!
SO TOTALLY AMAZING.
GROOT LOOPS
"ANOTHER"? YOU MEAN YOU'VE MET MORE THAN ONE OF ME?
WHAP
=MUNCH=... =MUNCH=... UH...YOU MEAN BESIDES OUR MOM?
MULTI-VERSE... DUHR.
GROOT
SO! RUDE!
SO... ME AND MILES--? WE'RE--? THESE ARE OUR--
HEH. YES. BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THERE ARE UNIVERSES WHERE YOU SUFFER A FATE WORSE THAN MATRIMONY.
KIDS, INTRODUCE YOURSELVES TO MS. STACY...
HI, I'M CHARLOTTE.
I'M GEORGE JEFFERSON MAXIMILIAN MORALES-STACY...
"GEORGE JEFFERSON"?
CALL ME "MAX."
"MAD MAX."

WAIT. THESE ARE HAM'S KIDS?
DID HE MARRY A REAL--
YUP.
MOST OF THE AMAZING EIGHT ARE OFF DOING...HELL, WHO EVEN KNOWS?
AIN'T LIKE THERE'S CRIME TO FIGHT.
GWEN AND MILES ARE ON THEIR SECOND HONEYMOON.
SO YOU GOT LUCKY THERE...
GWENS ARE RARE.
WHEN YOU GET A COUPLE OF 'EM TOGETHER IT GETS ALL HUGGY AND WEIRD.
WEIRDER THAN THIS?

PING
PING
GOOD MORNING, PETER.
M.A.Y. COMPUTER TERMINAL ACTIVE
MORNIN', M.A.Y.--WEB ACCESS TO EARTH-65, PLEASE.
ONE STRAY GWEN TO GET HOME ASAP.
WAIT...WHAT? ALREADY?
BUT...
SORRY, KIDDO. THIS AIN'T A BED AND BREAKFAST.
GOT A UTOPIA TO RUN.
LOOK, ME AND MY--ER. ME AND MILES...
...WE'RE BATTLING AN EVIL VERSION OF HIS DAD AND I'M STARTING TO THINK WE COULD REALLY USE--
OUR HELP?
YEAAAAH. SORRY. SPIDER-COMPUTER SAYS NO.
CAN'T HAPPEN. YOU'VE SEEN THE MULTIVERSE.
YOU KNOW BETTER'N ANYONE HOW HARD IT IS TO KEEP A CORNER OF IT CLEAN.
HAPPY TO SEND YOU WHEREVER. PLENTY OF HELP OUT THERE...
BUT... I'M ALREADY HERE.
LISTEN, I'M SORRY...I REALLY AM...YOU AIN'T GOTTA GO HOME.
BUT YOU REALLY GOTTA GET THE #$% OUTTA HERE.

WAIT. LOOK... I GET IT, OKAY? MOST DAYS, I WISH I'D NEVER SEEN ONE OF THESE STUPID PORTALS.
NEVER DEALT WITH GOTH-Y SPACE VAMPIRES, OR EVIL DOPPELGÄNGERS, OR CLONES...
ALL. THOSE. STUPID. CLONES.
BUT IF I HADN'T THEN I'D NEVER--
AUUGH. GWEN STACYS AND THEIR DOPEY SPEECHES.
CUT THE FLIPPIN' JIMINY CRICKET ACT, OKAY?
YOU THINK I NEVER HEARD THIS ONE? NEVER THOUGHT ALL THIS THROUGH?
I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE FACIN'.
WE... WENT THROUGH THE SAME THING HERE, OKAY?
MIGHT LOOK ALL BRIGHT AND SHINY, BUT YOU GOT NO CLUE WHAT THIS IS ALL BUILT ON!
YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT MILES AND GWEN SACRIFICED TO GET US HERE.
AND YOUR PRESENT IS WAY TOO MUCH LIKE OUR PAST.
I'M SORRY...
...BUT OUR FIGHT IS DONE.

REALLY? SPEECH DIDN'T PLUCK A SINGLE HEARTSTRING?
MAN. THAT'S A FIRST...
WAIT!
I CAN'T LET YOU DO THIS.
YOU HEARD WHAT I SAID, CHARLOTTE. I'M SORRY, BUT--
UNCLE HAM, C'MON... SHE'S JUST LIKE MOM.
I MEAN, ALL THAT STUFF YOU TAUGHT US ABOUT THE PAST...
UNCLE PETER LOSING HIS GWEN.
THE WAR FOR THE WEB OF LIFE AND DESTINY, THE SPIDER-WOMEN...
...MOM MEETING DAD.
SPIDER-FOLKS HELPING EACH OTHER IS MORE THAN HOW WE GOT HERE...
...IT'S WHY WE'RE HERE.
C'MON, UNCLE HAM...WE'RE THE SPIDER-FAMILY...
WE'RE THE ULTIMATE CROSSOVER.
RRRGH.
STUPID DOPEY SPEECHES.

EARTH-65
YEAH! THAT'S IT, JEFFERSON!
THE LAST #@%* STRAW!
I'M GONNA RIP YOUR FACE OFF FOR THIS!
WOOP POP! POP! BRRRK -TAT-TAT
DAD... WE'RE TOO LATE...
I'M GONNA WEAR IT LIKE A MASK!
STRANGLE EVERY SINGLE VERSION OF THE MORALES FAMILY IN THEIR CRIBS!
MAN, EVIL JEFFERSON, THAT'S... ELABORATE...

ME? I'M SIMPLE.
SEE EVIL.
KICK EVIL.
GUNF!
WHOA! NICE ONE, SPIDER-WOMAN.
HRRNGH.
QUICK, SPIDER-MAN-- SMASH HIS WEB WATCH!
ON IT!
NO!
KA-SMASH!
HEH. YOU'RE FAR TOO LATE, YOU LITTLE BRATS!
NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE FIRST OF OUR SISTER S.I.L.K. AGENCIES WERE FINALIZED DAYS AGO.
THE FIRST RANKS OF AN INTERDIMENSIONAL GUERRILLA STRIKE FORCE...
...ARE HERE TO KICK YOUR PUNK-@#$& TEETH IN!

ALL RIGHT, FELLAS. THAT'S FAR ENOUGH.
LET'S GO. BACK IT UP, FLIP IT, AND REVERSE IT.
HEY, LOOK--IT'S SPIDER-PIG.
SPIDER-PIG... SPIDER-PIG...
RRGH. WHY DOES EVERYONE...HAM. SPIDER-HAM.
THE PLAY ON WORDS IS REALLY OBVIOUS, GUYS.
DON'T KNOW HOW YOU GOT BEHIND US, SPIDER-PIG...
...BUT YOU BEST RUN ALONG NOW. BEFORE WE HUFF AND PUFF AND--
#SIGH# "THREE LITTLE PIGS" JOKES, HUH?
OKAY, SURE, FINE. LET'S LEAN INTO IT.
WE CAN DO BIG AND BAD.
CHOOM
RIGHT, PENI?

KA-WHAP!

OH, MY GOD...WHAT? WHO IS *THAT?*

YOU'LL NEVER BELIEVE THIS, MILES...

...BUT *THAT* IS THE LAST THING I EXPECTED.

"THAT'S A BRIGHTER TOMORROW."

THWIP!
OUFFF
OUFFF
ZONK!
WHOP
VROOOOOMMM
WHOOP
HEY, LOOK, SPIDER-GIRL--
--IT'S BAD GRANDPA.
THWIP!
THWIP!
THWIP!
I'LL KILL EVERY SINGLE...
RRRRGGGH!
HE'S IN A BAD MOOD TOO, HUH, SPIDER-BOY?
STICK.
HEY, DAD! CATCH!
"DAD"? WHO? ME?
MILES! GET BEHIND ME--
--I GOT THIS!

"DAD--WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU GOT THIS?"
"WHAT? YOU THINK I CAME OUT TO FIGHT WITHOUT A BACKUP PLAN, MILES?"
"A BACKUP PLAN? WHAT?
"DAD, WHAT DID YOU JUST DO TO THE SCORPION?"
HNNG... WHAT? WHERE?
"DON'T WORRY, SON. EVIL MR. JEFFERSON DAVIS OF EARTH-65 WILL BE JUST FINE..."
CITIZEN, DO NOT MAKE ANY SUDDEN MOVEMENTS.
PREPARE FOR RETINAL I.D. SCAN.
RETINAL WHAT? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU--
"IN FACT, IN ALL THE MULTIVERSE...
"...THERE'S NOT A BETTER SET OF HANDS FOR HIM TO BE IN."
I HOPE YOU'RE NOT LOOKING FOR TROUBLE, CITIZEN. BECAUSE AROUND HERE...
...ARBITER RIO IS LAW.

ZONK!
PRETTY CRAZY, HUH?
IT'S A LOT. A WHOLE LOT TO TAKE IN, YEAH.
THE TWO BOUNCY KIDS. THOSE AREN'T REALLY OUR...
YEP. WELL... POSSIBLY. ON EARTH-8, ANYWAYS.
I THINK THE ONE ON THE MOTORCYCLE WITH SPIDER-HAM IS JESSICA'S KID, GERRY.
THE GIRL IN THE FUR...
TOTALLY A KRAVEN. AND THE ROBOT?
PENI PARKER, I THINK.
WOOP
OUFFF
THWIP!
ZONK!
I'M STARTING TO THINK OUR STUPID TRANSPORTER WATCHES AREN'T SO STUPID, MILES.
THAT IT PURPOSEFULLY LED ME TO A WHOLE REALITY, WHERE WHAT WE BELIEVE IN ACTUALLY SAVES THE DAY...
MAN, IT EVEN SAVED TODAY.
YEAH. I'M SEEING IT. I BELIEVE IT. BUT...
I BARELY KNOW YOU, GWEN. HOW DO WE GET FROM HERE...
...TO THERE?

WOW. WHAT WAS...
I'M SORRY. I--
HEY. NO. DON'T BE--
NO, I AM. THAT'S NOT-- I MEAN--
NO.
WAIT. NO?
I MEAN... YES. BUT NO. THE TIMING--
ALL THAT LOOKS REALLY NICE. BUT IT'S WAY TOO MUCH, MILES. WAY TOO SOON.
I JUST DON'T...I CAN'T FEEL LIKE I DIDN'T HAVE A SAY. LIKE WE GOT FORCED BY THE HAND OF FATE.
I MEAN, THAT'S THEIR THING. AND, SURE, IT MIGHT WORK FOR US, TOO.
BUT WHATEVER THIS IS OR ISN'T, IT'S GOTTA BE OURS. RIGHT?
YEAH. I MEAN...
...I DEFINITELY DON'T NEED ANY MORE EXPECTATIONS OR RESPONSIBILITIES. OR...

...SO JUST FRIENDS? THAT'S COOL.
YEAH. JUST FRIENDS...
...FOR NOW.
NEXT: RED DEVIL, GREEN GOBLIN!

SPIDER-HAM

REAL NAME: Peter Porker
OCCUPATION: Adventurer, photographer, student, vigilante; former circus performer
LEGAL STATUS: United States Citizen
PLACE OF BIRTH: Queens, New York (Earth-8311) (Wait, not "New Pork"? How do you miss THAT pun?)
MARITAL STATUS: Single (Thanks a lot, Mephistork!)
KEY RELATIVES: May Porker (Aunt), Ben Porker (Uncle, deceased)
GROUP AFFILIATION: Web-Warriors, The Amazing Eight (Earth-8)
BASE OF OPERATIONS: New York City (Earth-8311)
FIRST APPEARANCE: *Marvel Tails Starring Peter Porker the Spectacular Spider-Ham #1*

PARTIAL HISTORY: Born on Earth-8311, a young spider named Peter lived in the basement of May Porker, a mad scientist (and pig). While testing one of her inventions — a radioactive hairdryer — May inadvertently exposed herself to dangerous levels of radiation. She went quite mad, and bit Peter the Spider, mutating him into a pig. Despite the transformation, though, his new swine physiology retained the proportional strength, speed and agility of his arachnid form, along with his adhesive fingertips and hooves.

That's all we're really going to say about that because, honestly, it's…really just a bananas story that you should hunt down and read.

Guilt-ridden, May took Peter in, and he dedicated himself to fighting injustice and protecting the anthropomorphic animal citizens of his homeworld. Using his newfound abilities, he became the Spectacular Spider-Ham and bested villains such as Ducktor Doom, Raven the Hunter, Kingpig, Baron Zebro and everyone's favorite: M.O.O.D.O.K.

Eventually, Peter was whisked away to fight alongside several alternate universe Spider-Heroes in order to stop a family of vampiric monsters from hunting and consuming spiders like himself. Fighting by his side were Peter Parker, the Spider-Man of Earth-616, and Gwen Stacy, the Spider-Woman of Earth-65, and dozens of other Spider-Men and Women (but no other pigs!) from across the Multiverse. They were able to successfully defeat the creatures, but not before a number of spiders lost their lives.

A short time later, thanks to the reality-altering schemes of none other than Victor von Doom, Spider-Ham found himself reunited with a small contingent of his Spider-Allies, including Spider-Girl, Spider-Gwen, Spider-Man: India, Spider-UK and a few other arachnid adventurers, on a strange patchwork planet called Battleworld, unfamiliar to all of them but full of unique incarnations of their deadliest foes. The spiders survived long enough to see Doom's reign come to an end, and eventually realized that they were more effective at crimefighting as a team, and Spider-Ham thusly became a founding member of the interdimensional Web-Warriors.

Spider-Ham became a steadfast friend to his teammate Gwen Stacy (see SPIDER-GWEN), a closeness amplified when Gwen realized that Peter Porker shared many of the positive characteristics the she saw in the deceased Peter Parker of her own reality: earnestness, eagerness and adventurousness. That Porker was, in fact, a cartoon pig helped Gwen dissociate those positive characteristics with her own Peter Parker and begin to move past her grief and guilt over Peter's death.

Gwen Stacy's attachment to Spider-Ham would eventually extend to her own imagination, as she often hallucinates and debates with an imagined version of him as an extension of her own conscience. Gwen's first and most notable experience with the hallucinated Ham came after she suffered blunt force trauma to the head during a battle with the Vulture. Though something of an odd couple, the real-life Spider-Ham and Spider-Gwen have increasingly paired up to fight crime and become somewhat of a dy-HAM-ic duo. (What? You thought we wouldn't go there?)

As a result of her team-up with Miles Morales (See SPIDER-MAN), Gwen Stacy found herself on Earth-8, the home of an alternate timeline that seems to be many years ahead of most realities. There, she discovered that an older Spider-Ham has taken a wife (Peggy) and is raising a litter of children. He also serves as the Uncle of Miles and Gwen's own children and a de facto field leader of this world's super-team, THE AMAZING EIGHT. Though Earths 65, 8311 and 616 share many of the same key events as Earth-8's past, it remains to be seen if The Amazing Eight's future will come to pass. ■

HEIGHT: 5'2"
WEIGHT: 95 lbs.
EYES: Blue
HAIR: Brown

SUPER-POWERS: As a mutated radioactive spider, SPIDER-HAM has the ability to cling to walls and has perfect balance, as well as super-porcine speed and agility. His musculature has been augmented so that he can lift (press) approximately 10 tons. He also possesses a "spider-sense" that dependably alerts him of impending danger.

WEAPONS/EQUIPMENT: Spider-Ham possesses two mechanical web-shooters that dispense an advanced adhesive web fluid, which can be ejected in a variety of configurations, including a single ropelike "webline," a net or a glob. He can also weave the web fluid into other crude forms, like a shield.

As a result of SPIDER-VERSE, Spider-Ham is also in possession of a wristwatch-sized device that grants him access to the Web of Life and Destiny.

SKILLS/TALENTS: Peter is a pretty good photographer and scientist. For a pig.

FUN FACT: The imaginary version of Spider-Ham, which often interacts with Gwen Stacy, thinks of himself as a cartoon character and not an actual talking pig. It's best to always think of him that way. Otherwise, it gets kinda gross when he eats corn dogs.

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SPIDER-GWEN
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Tour
THE SEVEN SEAS
With
BLACK MANTA
EMPIRE
Call 555-FISH